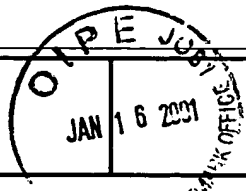
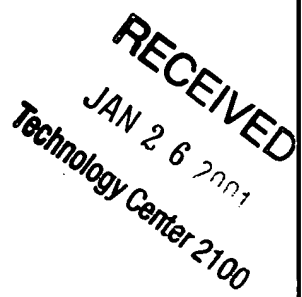
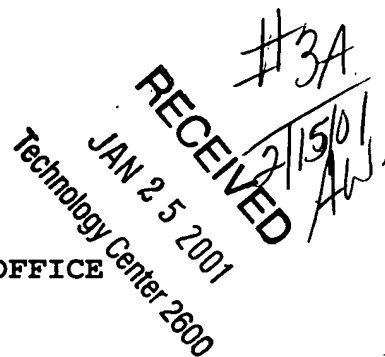


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Preliminary Amendment

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered, prior to examination of the above-referenced application.

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